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SUBJECT: ISRAEL OFFERS HEALTH INSURANCE TO THE TERRITORIES

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1. ON JANUARY 10 MILGOV ANNOUNCED THAT A VOLUNTARY MEDICAL INSURANCE PLAN WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO WEST BANK AND GAZA STRIP RESIDENTS ON FEBRUARY 1 (MOVE WAS FORESEEN IN REFTEL). AS REPORTED IN PRESS, PROGRAM CALLS FOR AN EXPENDITURE BY MILGOV OF 120 MILLION IL IN 1978 (APPROX. 8 MILLION DOLLARS); 112 MILLION IL FOR MEDICAL SERVICES, AND 8 MILLION IL TO DEVELOP MEDICAL FACILITIES; LOACL RESIDENTS' COSTS ARE TO BE 50 IL (3.33 DOLLARS) PER MONTH FOR SINGLE PERSON, 60 IL FOR FAMILY WITH TWO OR LESS CHILDREN, AND 70 IL FOR FAMILY WITH THREE OR MORE OFFSPRING. PLAN APPARENTLY NOT RELATED TO HISTADRUT-SPONSORED HEALTH PLAN OFFERED IN ISRAEL AND EAST JERUSALEM (HISTADRUT PLAN CONSIDERABLY MORE EXPENSIVE).

2. COMMENT: 120 MILLION IL NOT IMPRESSIVE SUM FOR
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HEALTH INSURANCE FOR 1 MILLION PEOPLE. PRESUMABLY, MILGOG FUNDS WILL BE PROVIDED ONLY TO MEMBERS OF PLAN, SO ACTUAL SIZE OF MILGOV CONTRIBUTION LIKELY TO DEPEND ON NUMBER OF RESIDENTS RESPONDING TO OFFER.

3. FACTORS LIMITING RESPONSE ARE COST OF PLAN--ALMOST A DAY'S SALARY FOR A DAY-LABORER--AND POLITICAL

ATTITUDES. HISTADRUT-SPONSORED INSURANCE OFFERED
TO WEST BANKERS IN EAST JERUSALEM, FOR EXAMPLE, IS
UNPOPULAR NOW. SMACKING AS IT DOES OF ISRAELI "EXTEN-
SION OF SERVICES" TO TERRITORIES, THIS NEW PLAN NOT
LIKELY TO HAVE WIDE AND WELCOME RECEPTION, END COMMENT.
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